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TAGS: OGEN, MILI, XR, XN

SUBJECT: USAF AERONAUTICAL STATION TESTS

1. THE AIR FORCE MILITARY AIRLIFT COMMAND (MAC) DESIRES
TO CONDUCT COMMUNICATIONS TESTS, FROM 31 JULY 73 TO 31 DEC
73, WITH THE USAF AERONAUTICAL STATIONS AT ALBROOK AFB,
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CANAL ZONE; MACDILL AFB, FLORIDA AND LAJES FIELD, AZORES HAVING HIGH FREQUENCY/ SINGLE SIDE BAND (HF/ SSB) COMMUNICATION RESPONSIBILITY FOR AIRDROMES IN THE SOUTH AMERICAN/ SOUTH ATLANTIC AREA. A COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITY WITHIN EXISTING NETWORKS IS REQUIRED TO INSURE WORLDWIDE COMMAND AND CONTROL OF MAC AIRLIFT AIRCRAFT. MAC AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS ARE CONDUCTED INTO MANY AIRFIELDS WHICH HAVE LIMITED OR NO CAPABILITY FOR VOICE CONTACT WITH USAF COMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS. COMMAND CONTROL OF THE AIRCRAFT IS OFTEN LOST UNTIL IT RETURNS TO A STATION OR ROUTE WHERE CONTACT WITH THE MAC COMMAND POST SYSTEM IS POSSIBLE. THE PROPOSED COMMUNICATIONS TEST WILL EVALUATE THE FEASIBILITY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF EXERCISING COMMAND CONTROL OF MAC AIRCRAFT FROM EXISTING COMPONENTS OF THE COMMAND POST SYSTEM THROUGH THE USAF AERONAUTICAL STATION NETWORK TO THE AIRCRAFT WHEN ON THE GROUND AT ANY AIRDROME THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

2. THE PROPOSED TESTS WILL BE CONDUCTED BY USING DESIGNATED MAC C-141/ C-5 AIRCRAFT WHICH TRANSIT SOUTH AMERICAN/ SOUTH ATLANTIC AIRDROMES ON CHANNEL OR SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT AIRLIFT MISSIONS. PROPOSED AIRDROMES FOR THE TESTS WILL BE:

EZEIZA, BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA
J. F. KENNEDY INTL, LA PAZ, BOLIVIA (C-141 ONLY)
GENERAL ARTURO MERINO BENITEZ, SANTIAGO, CHILE
PRESIDENTE STROESSNER, ASUNCION, PARAGUAY
JORGE CHAVEZ INTL, LIMA, PERU (C-141 ONLY)
MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY
WIDEAWAKE FIELD, ASCENSION ISLAND

ADDITIONALLY, ONLY REGULARLY INSTALLED AIRCRAFT HF/ SSB TRANSMITTERS AND RECEIVERS WILL BE USED AT THE AERODROME, BY THE AIRCRAFT FLIGHT CREW DURING AUTHORIZED GROUND TIME FOR THE SPECIFIED AIRLIFT MISSION. TESTS WILL DETERMINE CAPABILITY OF INSTALLED AIRCRAFT EQUIPMENT TO ESTABLISH VOICE CONTACT WITH USAF AERONAUTICAL STATIONS FROM THE AIRCRAFT PARKING POSITION AT THE AERODROME. THE AIRCRAFT AND CREW SO SPECIFIED TO PARTICIPATE IN A TEST WILL
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TRANSIT THE AIRDROMES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS ESTABLISHED IN THE FOREIGN CLEARANCE GUIDE (FCG) FOR THE PERTINENT AIRLIFT MISSION. THE HOST GOVERNMENT WILL ALSO BEPROVIDEDA SEPARATE NOTICE OF EACH TEST 30 DAYS IN ADVANCE THROUGH THE USDAO. THIS NOTICE WILL INCLUDE THE AIRLIFT MISSION NUMBER, TYPE AIRCRAFT AND PROPOSED DATE THE TEST WILL BE CONDUCTED. CONTACTS WITH USAF AERONAUTI-

CAL STATIONS WILL BE LIMITED TO MATTERS OF OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THE AIRCRAFT, SUCH AS DIVERSION, REROUTE, AND RECALL. FOREIGN OPERATING RIGHTS ARE REQUIRED AT THIS TIME FOR TEST PURPOSES ONLY. TESTS ARE CURRENTLY PLANNED FOR APPROXIMATELY 25 AIRDROMES SELECTED TO ASCERTAIN HF/SSB COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITIES WITHIN ASIA, AFRICA, THE MIDDLE EAST, SOUTH AMERICA, AND AUSTRALIA. IF TESTS PROVE SATISFACTORY, A FUTURE REQUEST FOR FOREIGN OPERATING RIGHT WILL INCLUDE REQUIREMENT FOR COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN PARKED AIRCRAFT AND USAF AERONAUTICAL STATION NETWORK.

3. NO ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL WILL BE REQUIRED FOR THE COMMUNICATIONS TEST. THE TEST WILL BE CONDUCTED BY THE NORMAL COMPLEMENT OF CREW MEMBERS OF AIRCRAFT PREVIOUSLY GRANTED FOREIGN CLEARANCE. RADIO FREQUENCY AUTHORIZATION WILL BE OBTAINED THROUGH OTHER CHANNELS, SUBJECT TO PROJECT APPROVAL. NO SPECIAL SUPPORT WILL BE REQUIRED FOR THIS TEST.

4. PROJECT DATA ARE RELEASABLE TO HOST NATION AND COMMUNICATION TESTS MAY BE OBSERVED BY LOCAL OFFICIALS, IF DESIRED.

5. BETTER, COMMAND/CONTROL COMMUNICATIONS WITH MISSION AIRCRAFT TRANSITING THE AREA PRIMARILY WOULD BENEFIT U. S. GOVERNMENT AGENCIES RECEIVING AIRLIFT SUPPORT FROM MAC AS THE RESULT OF INCREASED EFFICIENCY FOR THESE MISSIONS. FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS WOULD BENEFIT THROUGH INCREASED EFFICIENCY IN DELIVERY OF FOREIGN MILITARY SALES AND DISASTER RELIEF MATERIEL AS WELL AS FROM MINIMIZING DELAYS AT AERODROMES WHICH MAY ADD TO CONGESTION AND SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS IMPOSED ON LOCAL FACILITIES.

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6. REQUEST THAT EMBASSIES SEEK HOST GOVERNMENT APPROVAL FOR THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PROJECT IN APPROPRIATE AREAS OF ACCREDITATION.

7. FOR USAF STATION COMMANDER, ASCENSION ISLAND. INsofar AS FLIGHTS INTO ASCENSION IN SUPPORT OF AFETR ARE CONCERNED, WE CONSIDER THESE TESTS AUTHORIZED BY PARA 1(B), ARTICLE II OF 1956 AGREEMENT BETWEEN U. S. AND UK, ON USE OF ASCENSION ISLAND (T. I. A. S. 3603). HOWEVER, YOU MAY GIVE COURTESY NOTIFICATION OF SUCH TESTS TO HMG ADMINISTRATOR ON ASCENSION. WITH REGARD TO NON- AFETR FLIGHT OPERATIONS, PROCEDURAL AGREEMENT OF MARCH 30, 1973, ON EXPANDED USE OF ASCENSION APPLIES, AND YOU SHOULD SUBMIT REQUEST TO HMG

ADMINISTRATOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARA 2(B) OF AGREEMENT.

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